REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

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1. The African Development Bank (AfDB) hereby invites a Consultant Firm to indicate their interest in the following Assignment: on ‘Enhancing African Women’s Participation in Regional and Global Value Chains’ – Phase II.

2. The services to be provided under the Assignment include: the Consulting firm will identify flagship projects for the Bank and its partners on what would address the barriers to women’s participation along global and regional agricultural value chains in the cassava and cotton sectors. The Study will specifically identify one bankable operation for each commodity that is empowering women-gender-focused activities and potential financial instruments focusing on potential operations as well as the priorities of women in agribusiness. The expected deliverables are identification of two potential social and economically viable proposal for empowering women in the 4Cs, the mapping of potential co-financing instrument, potential women agro-processing and the number of programmes identified for retrofiring.

3. The Department of Gender, Women and Civil Society invites Consulting Firms to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested eligible Consulting Firms or associations of Consulting Firms shall provide information on their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to provide the services (documentation, references for similar services, experience in comparable Assignments, availability of qualified staff, etc.).

4. The eligibility criteria, the establishment of a short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank’s procedures for the acquisition of consulting services funded by the administrative or capital expenditure budget. Please, note that interest expressed by an individual consultant does not imply any obligation on the part of the Bank to include it in the shortlist.

5. The estimated duration of services will be no longer than 120 days and the estimated starting date is Mid-April 2017.

6. Interested Individual Consultants may obtain further information at the address below during the Bank’s working hours: from 8h30 to 17h30 (GMT).

7. Expressions of interest must be received at the address below no later than 28th March 2017 by 5pm (GMT) and specifically mentioning Enhancing African Women's Participation in Regional and Global Value Chains - Phase II. For the attention of:

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